

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF
ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE
LICENSE OF

BRUCE HOWARD
License #7197

TO PRACTICE ELECTRICAL
CONTRACTING IN THE STATE
OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

FINAL ORDER
OF DISCIPLINE

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors ("the Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and on which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent is a licensed electrical contractor in the State of New Jersey, and was first licensed by the Board on August 3, 1983. Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-7.2, respondent is entitled to apply for reinstatement of his license and business permit provided he otherwise qualifies for licensure and complies with statutory requirements for reinstatement.

2. On June 1, 2001, the Woodbridge Township Building Department received an application for a permit to perform work at 22 Bonnie Lane, which included an Electrical Subcode Technical Section form signed and sealed by respondent, of Bruce Howard Electrical Contracting.

3. Respondent, of Bruce Howard Electrical Contracting has not renewed his

license or business permit since both expired on March 31, 1989.

4. Respondent never returned his pressure seal to the Board.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

2. Respondent's engaging in electrical contracting despite the fact that he did not have a valid license or business permit is a violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9, subjecting respondent to sanctions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h), violation of a statute or regulation administered by the Board.

3. Respondent's failure to return his pressure seal to the Board is in violation of N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.10, subjecting respondent to discipline pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h).

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was issued assessing a civil penalty against respondent of \$1000, and directing respondent to return his pressure seal to the Board, and was entered on December 6, 2001. A copy was forwarded to respondent's last known address by means of both regular and certified mail. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30th business day following entry unless respondent requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

Although the record reflects that the Provisional Order was served upon respondent on April 2, 2002, no response has been received to date. Accordingly, the

Board considered the matter, determined that further proceedings were not necessary, and that the Provisional Order should be made final.

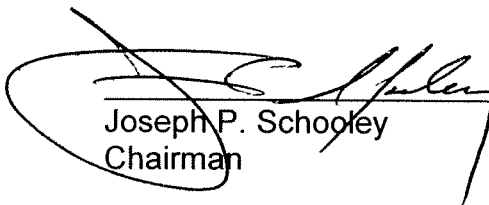
ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 26th day of July, 2002,

ORDERED that:

1. Respondent is hereby assessed a civil penalty in the amount of \$1000 for violation of N.J.S.A. 45:5A-9. Payment of the entire amount of \$1000 is due within 21 days following the issuance of this Order, unless respondent makes arrangements for payment terms with the Board. Payment is to be forwarded to the attention of Barbara Cook, Executive Director, Board of Examiners of Electrical Contractors, P.O. Box 45006, 124 Halsey Street, 6th Floor, Newark, NJ 07101. Payment is to be in the form of a certified check or money order, made payable to the State of New Jersey.

2. Respondent is hereby directed to return his pressure seal to the Board as required by N.J.A.C. 13:31-1.10.

STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS
OF ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS



Joseph P. Schooley
Chairman